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FOR INGERSOLL FROM DAVID BRUCE

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: INGERSOLL VISIT TO PRC

1. GREATLY LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PEKING VISIT, AND WOULD BE DELIGHTED IF YOU AND MRS. INGERSOLL COULD STAY WITH ME. WE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MR. HELBLE TO STAY WITH ANOTHER USLO OFFICER.

2. AGREE WITH YOUR SUGGESTION OF PAYING COURTESY CALLS ON PRC OFFICIALS, WHICH WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST APPOINTMENTS WITH CHIAO KUAN-HUA AND OTHER APPROPRIATE MFA PERSONNEL. WE WILL LOOK INTO FEASIBILITY OF YOUR MEETING A FOREIGN TRADE OFFICIAL, AND BELIEVE LI CH'ING MIGHT WELL BE AVAILABLE. VISITS TO A COMMUNE AND A FACTORY SHOULD BE POSSIBLE, AND WE WILL TRY TO WORK THEM IN.

3. I BELIEVE YOU WOULD FIND IT STIMULATING TO MEET SEVERAL OF PEKING'S MORE ENTERPRISING AMBASSADORS SUCH AS HARLAND OF NEW ZEALAND AND FITZGERALD OF AUSTRALIA, AND WILL ARRANGE FOR EITHER A STAG LUNCH OR DINNER WITH THESE AND SEVERAL OTHERS ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 19. TIME WILL BE RESERVED ON SUNDAY FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH USLO PERSONNEL. IN ADDITION, I THINK IT IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO SEE SOME HISTORICAL SIGHTS WHICH YOU MISSED DURING SECRETARY'S VISIT, AND WILL TRY TO ARRANGE THIS ON SUNDAY. DO YOU HAVE ANY PREFERENCES?

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4. DC HOLDRIDGE WILL ACT AS CONTROL OFFICER AND ACCOMPANY YOU

TO CANTON.

5. IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO SEND NOTE TO MFA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BOTH TO GIVE CHINESE AMPLE TIME TO RESPOND (YOU ARE PERHAPS AWARE OF THEIR DESIRE FOR AT LEAST 15 DAYS' ADVANCE NOTICE) AND TO GET WORD IN AHEAD ON OTHER MATTERS WHICH WILL REQUIRE THEIR ATTENTION, E.G. HEATH VISIT IN EARLY JANUARY. PLEASE SEND PASSPORT DATA SOONEST.

5. ANTICIPATE NO PROBLEM IN ARRANGING FOR OUTWARD-BOUND RESERVATIONS TO CANTON AND HONG KONG.
BRUCE

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